Closure of Banks for Four Consecutive Days

5325. **SYED SIBTEY RAZI:** Will the Minister of **FINANCE** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the branches of all commercial and cooperative banks were asked to observe 15th April, 1995 as full working day to help the customers who were hit by four consecutive holidays;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to issue standing instructions to all commercial and cooperative banks to observe the following Saturday as full working day if the situation of consecutive holidays as prior to 15th April, 1995 is repeated in future due to certain unavoidable circumstances; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (b) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have reported that with a view to obviate inconvenience caused to bank customers in certain States on account of consecutive holidays under the Negotiable Instruments Act and in the public interest, it was decided that all bank branches would remain open for full day on Saturday, 15th April, 1995. These instructions were, however, not applicable to administrative offices of banks' branches having weekly holiday on Saturday and branches located in those States where Saturday 15th April, 1995 was a public holiday under the Negotiable Instruments Act. These instructions were also applicable to branches of Cooperative Banks.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The banks in different States are required to follow the holidays declared by the local State Government under Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881. However, when the Central Government declares holiday on any day under Negotiable Instruments Act in the country, then all banks are required to observe a holiday on that day, irrespective of the Fact whether the local State Government has declared a holiday on that day or not.

दूरदर्शन और आकाशवाणी केन्द्रों का कार्य-निष्पादन

5326. **श्री अनन्तराव देवशंकर हवे:**
श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल:

क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों और आकाशवाणी केन्द्रों के कार्य-निष्पादन का राज्य-वार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) क्या विद्यमान दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों और आकाशवाणी केन्द्रों का कार्य-निष्पादन सन्तोषजनक है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री के•पी• सिंह देव): (क) इस अवधि के दौरान आकाशवाणी/दूरदर्शन नेटवर्क के विस्तार का राज्यवार ब्यौरा विवरण में दिया गया है। (नीचे देखिए)

(ख) और (ग) जी, हां। यह इस अवधि के दौरान आकाशवाणी/तथा दूरदर्शन के विज्ञापन राजस्व में सतत रूप से वृद्धि से स्पष्ट है जैसा कि निम्नलिखित आंकड़े दर्शाते हैं:—

(करोड़ रुपये में)

	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	
आकाशवाणी	59	64	73	(लक्ष्य)
दूरदर्शन	360.23	372.98	380	(लक्ष्य)